

London 3 Feb 1821

My dear Father,

The best news in my power to give respecting the living is that Mr B's whole last night consented to employ his interests with the Agents to get the Negotiation conducted, which otherwise was at a stand; for Woodhouse when he understood the state of the business felt it too nearly approaching what is called Simony to allow him to act in it. I have had much anxiety & some trouble in endeavouring to promote this Measure, but I fear the Result will not be satisfactory. De Witt desired me to write him a Note saying what was wanted, and what would be given. I came to L & D on the evening if the presentation could be secured, & stated the ^{which} to be expected. This he took to Mr B, and had a long conference with him, which ended in nothing, but a proposal on D's part to renew the discussion again in the Evening. This was done & he had the pleasure to leave Mr B. with the Resolution above named. - As for getting Sir R. or Mr C. to interfere Mr (DeWitt) says he dare not propose such a thing on my sheet. When he told Mr C. that some friends would advance money for what he was soliciting - the other laid his hand on his arm to check him & said "DeWitt - you are mistaken - if I thought Sir R. capable of selling a Presentation I would never speak to him again as long as I lived." D. is convinced that if we cannot repose confidence in what they have already said on this subject, it must be given up; Woodhouse says to give money to the person having the power in order to induce him to resign it is Simony - I really know not what to do

among these conflicting opinions, what is doing is far from the only
chance that remains - I fear there is a little liability to mistake
about the raising of the money, which will not be done by the leader
on my Pygmy I understood - though he would gladly see his interest
to pay a living for his nephews in some quarter - But if the way
is feasible I shall trust that the Representation I have made on
this head will not be unavailing - I rather think that Stevens is
the friend who proffered aid before, & he I have no doubts will
reign the greater part of what he proposes to accomplish the object
but he ought not to be allowed to advance much - I could give 50^l
and could get as much more from some others -

Today I received from Lord Fitzwilliam 50^l for the use
of poor harts, whose situation at Rome is very deplorable -
The sum was received I feel convinced. - His money was nearly
all gone when I last heard, but another friend has sent
him 50^l - and 5 others have clubbed the like sum to which
Lord F's added makes up a little fortune again another friend
has sent a letter of credit on a Bank at Florence for 50^l
if he should get well enough to find his way there in the summer

On Sunday or Monday the 18th & 19th Inst. Mr & Mrs -
Lowie will be happy to take a Bed at your House where
I have promised them a hearty welcome. - He meets her at
York on the 17th to bring her to Town. - She has a little Boy
with her who can just talk & I dare say he talks only
Scotch. They are extremely worthy, cheerful, unpretending,
generous people, & particular friends of mine - Lowie

I think you know succeeded as at Vernon & Good's - One thing
more I have to request, which is that my father's Box of papers
will accompany them to Town - It is a good opportunity, the
Weather is as mild as Spring, - London is now worth looking
at, - and my Cartons are up & the carpets down, - so that
nothing is wanting, for they shall have the best welcome I
can give - I will not behave but that you will consent to
this I only say "I'll consider of it," or "I'll see" as you used to do
when we were children I wanted anything, & I shall be satis-
fied. Lord Galloway is so impatient for the Evangelical paper
that much as we have tried to get your Copy complete I
fear we cannot succeed in time if we succeed at
all; but must this night send off the paper.

Now to you as a complete set to him, placing it to your
account. He wrote to us yesterday, saying when we might
procure a complete set - trusting us to send it immedi-
ately - If you don't receive a parcel therefore from us
on Monday morning, you may conclude the set is sent
but I am now employed all the day in looking out for
the requisite box & cartons - With kindest love I am

My dear Father

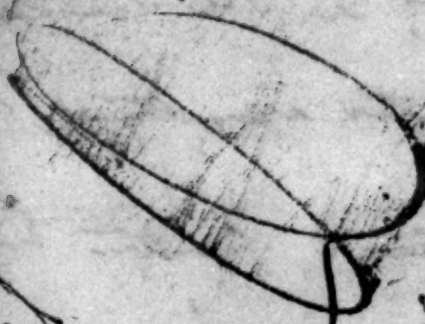
Yours most affectionately

John Taylor

My Cousin is returning from Banff where Cousin Father lives



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Mr Taylor
Massachusetts

Raymond -

